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2. "The VEF factory in Riga is at present 1954 one of the largest producers of radio apparatus in the USSR. The radio receivers put out by VEF are considered the best in the entire USSR. The factory manufactures:

First class receivers: VEF M-557
VEF M-697
MLR

Second class receivers: BALTIKA

3. "The alleged high quality of the VEF receivers is relative only. In the periodical Pravda frequently there are complaints made by readers that VEF sets break down, get partially spoiled and that spare parts for them are rarely available. Such complaints come from all over the USSR which throws a light on the distribution of VEF's output.
4. "The factory also manufactures:
- All kinds of radio components for assembling
 - Electrodynamic loudspeakers
 - Low frequency transformers
 - Oscillographs
5. "The factory has a telephone shop which manufactures the new telephone apparatus TAN-5. In 1952 and 1953 new departments for television apparatus and sound recording were added to the factory.
6. "The engineers-constructors known to be working at VEF are: B. Paulinsh, V. Studentsov, G. Goriunov, A. Liepinsh, L. Ratker, J. Karp."

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